Sleep Like a Tiger Lesson Plans

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The illustrations in this book are so rich and exciting. The patterns and textures in the illustrations add to the beauty of the book.

What I want to do is have my students create different patterns and textures and use them to create a work of art.

Materials

12x9 paper (any color)

Tempera paint

Brushes

Plastic wrap

Sponges (torn into small hunks)

Styrofoam trays (Cut up into 2x2 squares)

Procedure

Pass out sheets of 9x12 papers. It may be colored construction paper or white paper

Demonstrate different techniques on how to create texture on the paper.

1. First techniques are to paint the paper with any color tempera paint. Then take a piece of plastic wrap (cut to the paper size) and lay it on top of the wet paint. Allow the wrap to be wrinkled. The press the plastic down with an opened hand. Allow to dry.
2. Second technique using a small torn piece of sponge dab in tempera paint and use as a stamp to cover the paper. You may have more than one color. Mix the colors together for a more interesting outcome.
3. Using a 2x2 inch piece of Styrofoam draw an, organic or geometric shape, or line design into the Styrofoam. Go over the lines to insure that they are deep enough. Using the brush paint the surface of the styrofoam . Print on a paper either in rows or randomly. Cover the whole paper.
4. After allowing the paint to dry use these different textures and patterns to create a picture. It may be a person, animal, cityscape, abstract design.

To provide a background cover a piece of white poster board paper (9x12) with newspaper (want ads or print not pictures or advertisements). This will add interest to the background. Draw desired shapes on painted paper. Cut out shapes and assemble on the newspaper background.

1. Use a black marker to add details to your subject.